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The Honorable Chairman and Members of the
Hawaii Public Utilities Commission
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Dear Commissioners:

Subject: Docket No. 2008-0083
HECO 2009 Test Year Rate Case
Schedule of Proceedings

By Order Extending Date of Completeness of Application issued January 12, 2009 (the "January 12, 2009 Order"), the Commission ordered that: "The filing date of HECO's completed Application shall be extended from July 3, 2008 to December 26, 2008." On January 15, 2009, Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. ("HECO"), the Division of Consumer Advocacy of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (the "Consumer Advocate"), and the Department of Navy on behalf of the Department of Defense (the "DOD") (jointly, the "Parties") submitted their Stipulated Procedural Order ("SPO"), which included the schedule for the proceedings agreed to by the Parties before issuance of the January 12, 2009 Order. The schedule was intended to permit the issuance of an Interim Decision and Order ("Interim D&O") by June 2, 2009 (i.e., within the 10 months plus 30 days (if an evidentiary hearing has not been held) period specified by Hawaii Revised Statutes Section 269-16(d) after filing of HECO's Application for a general rate increase). In light of the January 12, 2009 Order, however, the specification of a specific date for the Interim D&O was removed from the schedule. The SPO was approved, with certain modifications,¹ by Order Approving, with Modifications, Stipulated Procedural Order Filed on January 15, 2009, issued January 15, 2009 (the "January 15, 2009 Order").

In lieu of filing a Motion for Reconsideration of the January 12, 2009 Order, HECO requests that a specific date by which an Interim D&O should be rendered be specified in the

¹ The modifications to the schedule include removal of dates relating to settlement discussion among the Parties, and changing the dates for the Prehearing Conference and Evidentiary Hearing. HECO and the Consumer Advocate agree that such dates need not be included in the schedule. They recognize that the scheduling of the Evidentiary Hearing is within the purview of the Commission.

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approved Schedule of Proceedings. The proposed date is July 2, 2009 (30 days after June 2, 2009). The proposed date is intended to balance the needs of HECO with respect to the timing of rate relief, and the concerns identified by the Commission in its January 12, 2009 Order. The attached revised Schedule of Proceedings includes that date, as well as the other modifications specified in the January 15, 2009 Order.

HECO has contacted the Consumer Advocate, and it has no objection to the revised Schedule of Proceedings, thereby waiving the five-day period under Hawaii Administrative Rules § 6-61-41(c). The Company has not been able to establish contact with the DOD's representative, Dr. Davoodi, but will immediately notify the Commission upon receiving a response from the DOD. HECO respectfully requests that the Commission issue an Order approving the revised Schedule of Proceedings.

Sincerely,



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Attachment

cc: Division of Consumer Advocacy
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SCHEDULE OF PROCEEDINGS

HECO Application, Direct Testimonies, Exhibits and Workpapers	July 3, 2008
Public Hearing	September 18, 2008
Consumer Advocate and DOD Information Requests ("IRs") to HECO ¹	July 7, 2008 August 7, 2008 August 18, 2008 August 25, 2008 August 26, 2008 September 8, 2008 September 11, 2008 September 24, 2008 September 26, 2008 October 7, 2008
HECO Witness Interviews	September 10, 2008 – September 12, 2008
HECO Responses to Consumer Advocate and DOD IRs ¹	July 24, 2008 August 28, 2008 September 8, 2008 September 9, 2008 September 15, 2008 September 29, 2008 October 6, 2008 October 15, 2008 October 17, 2008 October 23, 2008
Rate Case Update	November 26, 2008 – December 26, 2008
HECO Witness Interviews (Rate Case Update)	December 18, 2008 – December 19, 2008
Consumer Advocate and DOD Information Requests ("IRs") to HECO ^{1,2}	December 29, 2008 – March 16, 2009
HECO Responses to Consumer Advocate and DOD IRs ^{1,3}	January 19, 2009 – March 30, 2009
Consumer Advocate and DOD Testimonies, Exhibits and Workpapers	April 17, 2009 (Revenue Requirements) April 28, 2009 (Cost of Service/Rate Design)
Exploratory Discussions	April 23, 2009 – April 25, 2009
HECO IRs to Consumer Advocate and DOD ¹	April 24, 2009 (Revenue Requirements) May 4, 2009 (Cost of Service/Rate Design)
Consumer Advocate and DOD Responses to HECO IRs ¹	May 15, 2009 (Revenue Requirements) May 15, 2009 (Cost of Service/Rate Design)

¹ Whenever possible, Parties/Participants will provide a copy of documents electronically upon request.

² No more than 1 submission of IRs per week.

³ Responses due within 3 weeks, with last submission on March 30, 2009.

Statement of Probable Entitlement and Proposed Interim Decision and Order	May 18, 2009
HECO Rebuttal Testimonies, Exhibits, and Workpapers	May 22, 2009 (Revenue Requirements) June 3, 2009 (Cost of Service/Rate Design)
Consumer Advocate and DOD Rebuttal IRs ("RIRs") to HECO ¹	June 12, 2009 (Revenue Requirements) June 17, 2009 (Cost of Service/Rate Design)
Interim Decision and Order	By July 2, 2009
HECO's Responses to Consumer Advocate and DOD RIRs ¹	July 2, 2009 (Revenue Requirements) July 7, 2009 (Cost of Service/Rate Design)
Prehearing Conference	Week of August 3, 2009
Evidentiary Hearing	Week of August 10, 2009
Simultaneous Opening Briefs by Parties	4 weeks after Transcripts
Simultaneous Reply Briefs by Parties	3 weeks after Opening Briefs